

QUID NOVI

Happy 20th Anniversary SCPA!

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It's party time!

Potluck, \$5 gift exchange; hope to see you here on December 8th

by Catherine Champagne

Hey Gang!

You haven't seen me a lot this year but I'm a third year student at the SCPA and I'm proud to tell you that the SCPASA is holding a party on December 8th, 1999. It's on a Wednesday, so I really hope that almost all of you are going to be able to come.

The party will be held in the school basement, starting at around 8 o'clock. There's going to be food, booze and games. We would like to do a potluck, so everyone has to bring something. Bring whatever you want, use your imagination and your talent!

For the music, we're counting on your CDs and musical taste! Don't forget to bring a small gift, because we're going to do a gift exchange, Dollorama type, \$5 or less. It would be very funny if you would all try to have the most original gift, n'avez pas peur de la quêtainerie!

And, while I'm occupying your busy eyes with my little words, I'm going to need some help to organize this party!!! So if you want to join in, call me at (450) 689-2636 or e-mail me at catcha@hotmail.com.

So see you on December 8th, and don't forget to bring: some food for the buffet, a small gift, and your smily face! I'm going to take this occasion to wish you all the best of luck on your exams!

Catherine



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**SCPA STUDENT
ASSOCIATION MEETING**
Tuesday, November 30
@ 3 PM in the
Basement Lounge
Be there!!!

...or I'll be lonely...

Wrapping the millennium...

We got us a computer *and* a constitutional crisis!!!

by Danny Jetté

Hi everybody, lots to cover, no time to chat...

First, a lot of stuff has been happening on and around the Constitutional front. Last week, a group of us met with CSU Club Officer Claude Jacob to discuss re-writing our Constitution. Up for debate: should we have an elected Chairperson and Treasurer?; should we stick with the roundtable format or go presidential?; and should meetings operate by vote or by consensus?

Ideally, we should be able to have a school-wide referendum (or a General Assmbley) on our Constitution early in the Winter semester; however, there is still lots of work to do.

If you're interested in working on this, talk to Youri Cormier (SCPA 300) or me (Danny).

Second, you may or may not have heard that we have a computer. It's a Mac, and it's in the Library in the Basement for student use. If you don't know how to use the Mac, I've included some basic instructions on page 3.

Third, the library again: Clean-up day: Friday, January 7, @ noon. We must get this done before the panels start. If you want to help out, talk to me or talk to Jennifer.

Fourth, see Catherine's article on the left for info on the SCPA party. I want to emphasize that we're holding it on a Wednesday in-

stead of a Friday, which is what seems to work for most people. Now that the party's on the Wednesday, I hope we'll get a better turnout. Gift ideas: socks, plastic spiders, pet rocks, and no Pokémon please....

Fifth, if anyone's interested in taking over as editor of Quid Novi for next year, talk to me now, I'll help you get set up.

And last, but not least: Good luck on your exams, happy holidays, happy millennium (!!!) - and please don't drink and drive.

Quotes of the Month

"Personne, pas même le poète, n'a mesuré ce que le coeur peut contenir."

- Zedda Fitzgerald

"I'm not a piece of fruit that you just peel off and throw away!"

- Willy Loman

Things I want to know before I die

This always happens to me at this time of the year, kind of in the same way that I always get an urge to drink like a fish in and around Valentine's Day. As the fall semester nears its close, my mind inevitably wanders to those types of questions that never seem to go away. Here, then, is my official "List of things I want to know before I die."

If the health minister flushes her toilet and no one is there to not hear it, was it worth the hundred grand?

Why do they call it "freezer burn?"

Is there a reason for Diane Francis?

Why is it the day that breaks when it's the night that falls?

Why don't more people vote for the New Democratic Party?

Why hasn't Bill Clinton bought a lottery ticket?

Who's afraid of the big bad wolf?

Why Ricky Martin?

Who in God's name cooked up those Esso TV ads with Wayne Gretzky as a pro wrestler and why hasn't he/she been deported?

What do Quebecers really want?

What's wrong with the Habs?

Why don't more people vote for the Natural Law Party?

Why Monica?

Why do they call it a chalupa?

What do anglophones really want?

Why is alcohol not its own food group?

If university fees in Quebec are so low, how come I don't have any money?

What exactly is a Silent Fill toilet and why does our health minister need one so badly?

...and last, but not least...

Is Perry Calce somehow behind the rash of injuries that have plagued my selections in the SCPA hockey pool?

...Merry Christmas, Happy new year, see y'all in the 21st...

The Editor's View
with
Danny Jetté

Announcements

SCPA Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 8

@ 8 P.M. in the

Student Lounge

Potluck
Buffet!

Be there!!!

\$5 Gift
Exchange

Notice:

The SCPA Student Association is in the process of trying to re-write its Constitution and Bylaws. A meeting was held on Friday, November 19th to discuss such items as voting procedures, the format of the Student Association Executive, and the duties and role of the Chairperson. If you are interested in working with us on the SCPASA Constitution, contact Youri Cormier, Danny Jette, Alia Mirza, Louise Therrien or any other person on the constitution committee.

Attention, SCPA 401

Panel Groups!!!

I'd like to invite each group from the SCPA 401 class to prepare a 100-word preview of their panel for the January edition of Quid Novi. Bring 'em to me, or leave 'em in the Student Box, no later than January 5, okay?

Thanks! - Danny

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A crash course in how to use that damn Mac...

I had a feeling this was gonna happen; I probably should've bet money

by Danny Jetté

For those of you who didn't know, the SCPASA received a donation of a Macintosh computer and inkjet printer from the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science, for student use. Since I set it up, I've had a number of requests from people who use Pc's and think Macs are wierd for a little "how-to" thingie for the Mac. So... here goes...

1 - Turning the Computer On

- Turn on the Monitor
- Hit the key on the top right corner of the keyboard (the one with the triangle). You'll hear a "ding"-type sound.
- Let the computer load. When it's ready, the desktop will pop up on screen (note: the screen photo to the right is actually from my home computer, but it's basically the same).

2 - Loading MS Word

- This computer has Microsoft Word 5.1 for the Macintosh. If you're bringing files from home, make sure you "Save as" the right version, otherwise you're gonna get a nasty surprise.
- To load, go under the Apple on the top-left corner of the screen and scroll down to "Microsoft Word.Eng" (See Figure 1).

3 - Saving things to diskette

- Always insert your diskette before loading MS Word.
- The Mac will read both PC and Mac configured disks; the diskette icon will have "PC" on it if it's a PC diskette.
- Please, please use only new

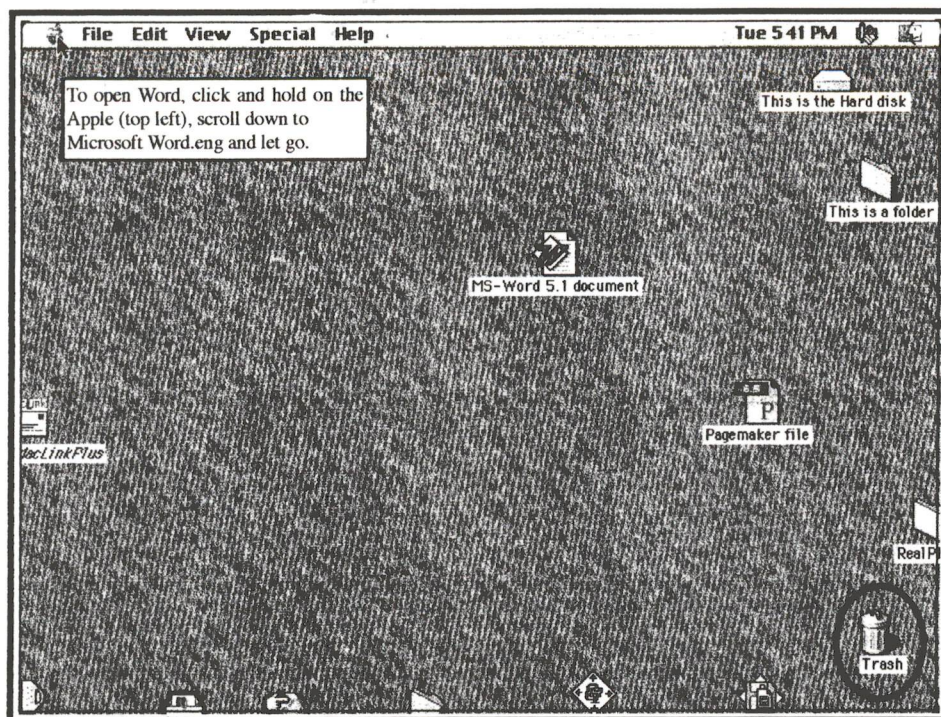


Figure 1 - This is more or less what the desktop looks like on the Mac downstairs

- diskettes, or at least make sure your disk is absolutely virus-free.
- To save an MS Word file to your diskette, go under "File" to Save. A window will pop up with the box in Figure 2; on screen it may say "MS 5.1" or something in the bar where it says "desktop" in Figure 2; if so then click and hold, scroll up to "desktop" then scroll down the desktop list until you find your diskette. Double-click on the diskette, then click on "Save."
- Very, very important: make sure that you have quit MS Word before you take out your diskette.
- Equally important: to take out your diskette, drag it onto the Trash icon (see Figure 1, bottom-right).

4 - Printing

- For now, you'll have to bring your own paper.
- To print, make sure the printer is on (button in the middle; a green light indicates that it's on; plus it'll make noise)
- Just follow the instructions to print in MS Word.

5 - Shutting Down

- Make sure you have quit MS Word and taken your diskette;
- Go under "Special" (See Figure 1) to Shut down.
- Turn off the Monitor.

If you want to use the computer, just ask Marina for the key to unlock the Library. If demand is high, we'll set up a sign-up sheet.



Figure 2: Saving to your diskette

The SCPA
20th Anniversary Banquet
Saturday, Nov. 27 @ 7 PM, in the
Faculty Club (Hall Building, 7th floor)
Hope to see ya there!

Fun 'n' Games

SCPA NET NYUKS: Signs you're a Canadian

PS: This thing is toodang long to run in its entirety, so I just skimmed though it and kept the highlights. If you're desperate to get your hands on the whole thing, when I'm done laughing I'll email it to you.

1. You stand in "line-ups" at the movie, not lines.
2. You're not offended by the term, "Homo Milk"
3. You understand the phrase, "Could you please pass me a serviette, I just spilled my poutine"
4. You eat chocolate bars instead of candy bars.

8. You know that a mickey and 2-4's mean "Party at the camp, eh!!"

11. You don't know or care about the fuss with Cuba, it's just a cheap place to travel with good cigars and no Americans.

12. When there is a social problem,

you turn to your government to fix it instead of telling them to stay out of it.

13. You're not sure if the leader of your nation has EVER had sex and don't want to know if he has!

22. You know that Mounties "don't always look like that"

23. You dismiss all beers under 6% as "for children and the elderly".

24. You know that the Friendly Giant isn't a vegetable product line.

25. You know that Casey and Finnegan are not a Celtic musical group.

42. Whenever you hear the word "car", you have to stop yourself from involuntarily reaching back for a hockey net.

43. You remember when Alanis Morissette was "Too Hot To Hold".

45. You participate in

"Participaction". At least, until you fall down laughing when you think of how your hair is getting "sweat-EE and out-of-CONtrol".

46. You spend sleepless nights wondering if Peter Mansbridge and Wendy Mesley will ever find again the blissful love they once knew.
47. And if not, is she free next Friday?

50. You know Ashley MacIsaac isn't Celtic enough.

56. You know the French equivalents of "free", "prize" and "no sugar added", thanks to your extensive education in bilingual cereal packaging.

57. You remember "Jodie" from "Today's Special" and wonder why you keep seeing her reading news on the CBC.

67. Driving is better in the winter

because the potholes are filled in with snow.

68. You think sexy lingerie is tube-socks and a flannel nightie with only 8 buttons.

76. You know which leaves make good toilet paper.

81. You know 4 seasons: Winter, Still Winter, almost Winter and Construction

84. You perk up when you hear the theme from "Hockey Night in Canada"

85. You actually get these jokes and forward them to all your Canadian friends.

SCPA Net Nyuks provides a forum for those annoying email jokes that you get all the time. If you have any contributions in this area, talk to me and I'll give you my email.

The SCPA Hockey Pool 1999-2000

Team Perry

Team Danny

Top 10 Scorers

J. Jagr	33
O. Nolan	31
P. Kariya	22
J. Friesen	22
E. Lindros	21
J. LeClair	18
T. Fleury	18
S. Yzerman	17
R. Blake	17
P. Housley	17

Total: 309

Rookie: S. Gagne (7)

Top 10 Scorers

M. Recchi	26
P. Turgeon	24
Z. Palfy	24
P. Demitra	22
T. Selanne	21
R. Whitney	21
S. Kapanen	20
J. Sakic	19
D. Weight	16
L. Robitaille	16

Total: 289

Rookie: S. Kariya (11)

Amateur Habs Trivia: Who said it?

- 1 - "If I could be a forward, I would want to be Bob Gainey."
- 2 - "I would say that I am an anti-separatist."
- 3 - "The media and the fans are with you win or tie. But don't tie too often."
- 4 - "I was a hockey player."
- 5 - "Every once in a while, maybe in practice, I stop and wonder why the heck I'm making my living as a goaltender."

Answers: 1 - Ken Dryden; 2 - Guy Lafleur; 3 - Jean Perron; 4 - Maurice Richard; 5 - Jeff Hackett

Goofy Quotes of the Month

"I can drop-kick people."

In case political science doesn't pan out...

"Never answer a blunt woman question with a blunt man answer because you'll always get 'why?'"

The secret to lifelong happiness

Joyeuses fêtes à
tout le monde!
Happy holidays
to everyone!

Q: What did the fish say when he swam into a brick wall?
A: Damn.

...gooooooo bye-bye!!!